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IOWA HAS GOOD CHANCE TO BEAT YALE IN TO-DAY'S CONTEST

STANDARD OIL EARNINGS EXCEED THREE AND A HALF BILLIONS IN FORTY YEARS

World of Finance Awed by the Enormous Growth and Disbursements to Shareholders—Distributions Heavily Increase Since Trust's "Dissolution."

Tremendous growth in earning power by the various Standard Oil companies has long been a source of envy and admiration by managers of other big business concerns. Yet there are probably few people not closely associated with Standard Oil management who fully appreciate how extraordinarily successful these enterprises have been.

The record of growth of these companies, measured by increases in earnings, is almost beyond comprehension. There is no parallel to it in the business history of the world.

Much ado is being made of the fact that the Standard Oil Company of New York has just decided to distribute a dividend of 400 per cent. in stock to the holders of its shares, that the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey plans to pay a stock dividend of 200 per cent. and that the Standard Oil Company of California will pay a stock dividend of 100 per cent. When matched against earnings and resources the size of these dividends becomes relatively insignificant.

It is now a matter of financial record that when the old Standard Oil Company of New Jersey was ordered to dispose of its holdings of controlled companies in 1911, most Wall Street experts jumped to the conclusion that because of the nature of the decree of the United States Supreme Court, stiff competition necessarily would arise between the various producing and transportation companies divorced from the Standard Company of New Jersey, that the price of crude oil and all of its by-products would drop, and that earnings of the various companies would suffer to a great extent. But it has been proved that the dissolution order was one of Standard Oil's greatest boons. Competition did not come, the price of crude oil products advanced instead of declined and earnings, which had been phenomenal ever since the organization of the Trust back in 1852, spurred upward in a manner that tests the capacity of human comprehension.

In the nineteen years from the incorporation of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey up to and including 1911, the year the divorce decree of the Supreme Court became effective, the company was able to disburse in cash to stockholders the enormous sum of \$742,650,564. Staggering as this may seem, it is shown by subsequent developments that in 1911, after disbursing this amount, the Trust was yet in the initial stage of development.

The cash dividends paid by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey in the ten and one-half years since dissolution, added to the accumulated and undistributed earnings as of the close of last year, are greatly in excess of the amount of dividends paid in the first nineteen years of its history. To be precise the excess is \$133,858,270. And it is to be remembered that in this last ten and a half years the New Jersey company has had to struggle along without any income from the

RATHENAU SLAYERS GIVEN BIG SENTENCE

Driver of Murder Car Gets Fifteen Years.

LEIPSIG, Germany, Oct. 14.—(Associated Press).—Sentences up to fifteen years penal servitude were imposed to-day on the men who have been on trial here on the charge of complicity in the murder of Dr. Walter Rathenau, late Foreign Minister.

Ernest Tschow, who drove the murderers' motorcar, received the maximum penalty, while his brother, Hans Tschow, was sentenced to four years as an accessory.

William Guenther was sentenced to eight years for complicity in the murder, and Karl Thiesen to three years for "transgression of public order." The other defendants were sentenced variously to from two months to five years' penal servitude.

EAST AND WEST MEET ON "GRID" AT YALE TO-DAY

Jones Brothers, Rival Coaches, Lead Iowa and Eli Teams in Battle.

BIG CROWD EXPECTED.

Yale Team Weakened on Account of Injuries for This Battle.

By William Abbott.
(Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 14.—Howard and Tad Jones played on the same Blue eleven back in 1907 just before Yale's football fortunes began to ebb. Howard came back in 1909 and coached a victorious Bulldog team. Tad duplicated the feat in 1916. The successes of the Jones boys mark the only games Yale won from Harvard in thirteen years.

The queer working of Fate now makes rivals of the famous coaching brothers. This afternoon, in the Bowl, Tad will again be in charge of a Yale team, but across the white-lined gridiron on the visitors' bench will sit Brother Howard anxiously watching the prowess of his giant Iowa team. It will be the first time brothers have been rival coaches in an important football contest.

In addition to the dramatic feature of the Jones brothers filling the role of friendly enemies this afternoon's engagement is one of the big inter-sectional games of the season, Iowa, winner of the 1921 Western Conference title, expects to give Eastern prestige a rude jolt. Yale, weakened by injuries, will not make costly sacrifices to turn back the giant Hawkeyes but the Bulldogs are not unconfident of the need of winning the inter-sectional battle.

The local management expects all early season attendance records to be broken. The decided drop in temperature has put a real football tang in the air and it's likely 60,000 or more spectators will be in the Bowl for the kick-off.

There's a big slice of the corn belt scattered around town. Graduates from many Western colleges are here helping rooters from the Hawkeye State to whom it up. The game is being regarded strictly as a battle between the East and West. Visitors from the corn sector are rooting to see Iowa collar the Bulldog.

Yale is apprehensive about the result of this afternoon's clash. Capt. Jordan, Beckett and O'Hearn, regular backs, and Miller, left tackle, will be missing from the line-up because of injuries. It is feared the loss of the

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ATTEMPT TO STEAL CANDLER LETTERS TO MRS. DE BOUCHEL

Man Who Seized Package of 30 Forced to Give Them Up.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 14.—A packet of thirty letters, said to have been written by Asa G. Candler sr. to Mrs. Onesima De Bouchel, was seized in the office of Harold Moise, associate counsel for Mrs. De Bouchel, but he recovered the letters. Moise said to-day, "It happened two days ago," said Moise, "but I didn't say anything about it because it sounded so much like a fairy tale."

Moise said the package had just been received by registered mail, when a man, apparently about thirty after mulling a remark about a detective agency, seized the letters and fled.

"I grabbed him and knocked him down," Moise stated, "and he left in a hurry."

BILLY SUNDAY JR. ARRESTED FOR SPEEDING.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 14.—William A. Sunday Jr., son of Billy Sunday, the evangelist, was arrested here last night on a charge of speeding and held in jail on \$500 for appearance in a police court.

TRANSIT BOARD AND MAYOR UNITE TO GET BUSES BACK

Commission Asks Stay of Injunction So Owners May Obtain "Rights."

PROMISES APPROVAL.

City Will Grant 400 Permits at Board Meeting Monday.

The City Administration and the State Transit Commission "are not very far apart" in their simultaneous efforts to-day to rush to the relief of 200,000 daily bus passengers who will have to walk or taxi twice daily if the injunction granted by Supreme Court Justice Mulligan against illegal operation of buses becomes operative.

While the City Administration was announcing a call for a special meeting of the Board of Estimate on Monday for the purpose of granting temporary permits to 400 bus operators, the Transit Commission announced that it had applied to Justice Mulligan for permission to intervene in the bus injunction proceedings and request a suspension of the injunction order for thirty days so that bus operators may, as required by law, apply to the Transit Commission for certificates of convenience and necessity to operate after they have been first granted permission by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The city's plan for the granting of temporary permits to bus operators was propounded in a letter by Grover A. Whalen, Commissioner of Plant and Structures, to Mayor Hylan, in which Mr. Whalen points out that it would be preposterous to grant even short term franchises to individual bus operators who might be in a position to defy the Municipal authorities with the same arrogance displayed by corporations holding long term franchise rights.

The Transit Commission's petition to the Supreme Court asking permission to be declared a party in interest recites that if the injunction granted by Justice Mulligan prevails 200,000 daily bus passengers will be deprived of their means of transportation. The figures "200,000" are quoted from Commissioner Whalen's reports.

The petition of the Transit Commission further recites that for the purpose of preventing public inconvenience thirty-days' stay of the injunction order should be granted, "so that necessary steps may be taken as provided by law to permit the legal, safe and proper operation of bus lines, pending the adoption of a plan of adjustment and improvement of the general transit situation now being formulated by the Transit Commission."

The Transit Commission reminds the Court in its petition to intervene that if the Board of Estimate desires to continue bus operation pending a final readjustment of the general transit situation, "all that is necessary to

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HARDING FOR WOMAN ON THE TARIFF BOARD

Three New Members to Be Named Soon.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—A spirited contest has developed for places on the United States Tariff Commission under plans for its reorganization.

Three new members will be named within the six or eight weeks. By the time Congress reconvenes the President will be ready to organize the commission for its new and more important labors.

The President, it is believed, will name a woman to the commission, as women are keenly interested in tariff duties.

FLY BLAMED FOR DEATH OF FLORAL PARK GIRL

Miss Loretta Reid, nineteen, of No. 151 Carnation Avenue, Floral Park, who died Tuesday night in Jamaica Hospital, was said last night to have suffered blood poisoning from the bite of an insect, presumably a fly, which stung her last Saturday.

Shortly after she was bitten her cheek began to swell and the swelling spread over her face.

Third Woman, Who Was Scorned, Murdered Rev. Hall and Singer, Startling New Theory of Writer

Mrs. Wilson Woodrow, Past Master of Mystery Stories, Says Fact Outshines Fiction in Baffling Mystery of Famous Jersey Murder.

Mrs. Wilson Woodrow, author of "Swallowed Up," "The Hawk's Nest" and other brilliant and popular mystery stories, has written especially for The Evening World her analysis of the Hall murder mystery. With keen intelligence, with the novelist's knowledge of human motives and passions and with a woman's intuition, Mrs. Woodrow has viewed this most remarkable of murder cases from a new angle. She sets down for Evening World readers a penetrating study of the crime, of the community in which it occurred, of possible solutions of the mystery. Do your theories about the still unsolved double murder in New Brunswick agree with those of this noted woman writer?

By Mrs. Wilson Woodrow.

There are certain ironical aspects in the New Brunswick murder mystery when one stops to consider them. A small town in always in the attitude of drawing aside its skirts when New York flaunts by the sophisticated, wicked city that hatches crime as lightly as a spider hatches eggs. And yet New York, with all her underworld resources, has not been able to compete with the small town in producing a murder mystery of such scandalous implications, strange and hidden convolutions, such sensational situations as the New Jersey town has presented to the public. Edgar Lee Masters should hasten there and write a new "Spoon River Anthology."

In this case life beat us spinners of mystery yarns to it, showing a more luxuriantly gruesome and sinister imagination than any of us possess, and dissolving the limits which circumscribe us.

Our editors and readers demand that we be plausible, logical and use the long arm of coincidence sparingly. Life snags her fingers at such arbitrary rulings. In the double murder of the Rev. Dr. Hall and Mrs. Mills unrelated situation is piled on unrelated situation, and all promising clues are lost in the general muddle.

If the gods had graciously popped such a situation into my head, the first thing I would do in the effort to work out the story would be to get the scene, the picture clear.

"The background would be the old, aristocratic church in which the best families of the town have long worshipped. The cultivated, popular rector emerges with all the charm of his magnetic personality, and by his side is the wife fourteen years older than himself, entrenched in inherited wealth and undisputed social position, conservative to the last degree. Behind her is her brother, who frequents the fire houses and finds his chief enjoyment and excitement in a really good, destructive blaze.

I would give particular and thorough study to every feminine member of that congregation, especially those outwardly prim and conventional ladies who sternly batten down their errand desires for love and romance and adventure, and never quite dare ask themselves whether they go to church so faithfully to worship God or the rector.

I would never rest until I knew the secret thoughts of that close

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FIGHTING IN FIUME, DESTROYERS OUT

D'Annunzio and Zancella Forces Are Clashing.

LONDON, Oct. 14 (Associated Press).—Fighting has broken out between the D'Annunzio legionnaires and the Zancella forces in Fiume, says a Rome message to the Central News to-day.

An Ancona message states that Italian destroyers have been dispatched to prevent the departure of Fascist forces from Zara for Fiume.

GREEK ARMY REFUSES TO GET OUT OF THRACE

Third Corps Declines to Obey Order to Evacuate.

ADRIANOPLE, Oct. 14 (Associated Press).—The Greek 3d Army Corps has refused to obey orders to evacuate Thrace.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—A Constantinople despatch to the Times reports that the commander of the 4th Greek Army Corps has ordered his troops to begin evacuation of Eastern Thrace to-day.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 14 (Associated Press).—The formal acceptance by the Greeks of the Mudania armistice agreement was transmitted to all the signatory powers this afternoon by George Sinovalis, the Greek High Commissioner in Constantinople.

SECRET MURDER INQUIRY BEING PUSHED IN JERSEY, LOCAL DETECTIVE REVEALS

Sleuth Meets Charge of "Bungling Stupidity" With Announcement That Special Investigators Have Run Down Clues Quietly and Are Near a Solution.

(Special From a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 14.—Resenting the criticism of Timothy N. Pfeiffer, counsel for the widow of the Rev. Dr. Hall, in a letter to Gov. Edwards regarding "official bungling" in the investigation of the Hall-Mills murder mystery to-day, Detective George Totten told of some features of the case which have not become public.

Totten said that when the bodies of the minister and his choir singer were found, the rector's eyelids had been drawn down so that he appeared to be asleep, while those of Mrs. Mills were open and staring.

The detective also said that the time of the murders was definitely fixed as between 9:30 and 10:15 on the night of Sept. 14.

Totten asked if anybody could find out for him why a day and night guard of private detectives had been established at the Hall home. The question was carried to Lawyer Pfeiffer, who replied he had posted the

guards "to prevent further bungling."

"From the moment I saw the different consideration with which the dead bodies had been treated—the eyes of the minister lovingly closed and his glasses placed on his nose and the woman with her head almost cut off and her eyes staring—I know I was not on the trail of any blackmailer or robber or ordinarily criminal," Totten said. "I have had four men working on that lead for three weeks and working so quietly that nobody but myself has known what they have been doing. Within a very few days, now, everybody will know and will be satisfied we have not been wasting time or bungling."

Prosecutor Stricker of Middlesex and Prosecutor Beckman of Somerset appeared at the Hudson County Court House in Jersey City to-day and went to the chambers of Supreme Court Justice Parker, whose jurisdiction includes their counties. It is understood that they made the application to him for a special prosecutor for the murder case. After a brief conference the justice and the prosecutors took a train for Newark.

NEW YORK DETECTIVES AIDING IN INQUIRY.

Astonishment over the unexpected demand of counsel for Mrs. Hall that Gov. Edwards use his good offices to supersede the prosecutors of Somerset and Middlesex Counties in the investigation of the murders is partly answered.

The Evening World learned to-day that just before writing the letter Timothy N. Pfeiffer, formerly an Assistant District Attorney in New York in charge of the Homicide Bureau, had received a report from two former police detectives in New York City, where they achieved notable success as solvers of murder mysteries.

This report is said to have satisfied Mr. Pfeiffer that the further an experienced and competent criminal prosecutor gets into the case the sooner Mrs. Hall will be relieved of the emotional strain which is breaking down her nervous system.

PROSECUTORS SORELY TRIED AND ADMIT IT.

As for Azariah Beckman, Prosecutor of the Pleas for the County of Somerset, the project to have the unhappy Hall-Mills matter taken off his

TRACKMEN GIVEN \$22,125,000 RAISE BY LABOR BOARD

451,911 Workers to Receive Average Minimum Wage of 23 to 37 Cents.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14 (Associated Press).—The United States Railroad Labor Board to-day granted a two-cent-an-hour increase in wages to 451,911 members of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way employees and railroad shop workers. The increase applies to four of the eight classes of maintenance employees.

The decision came after ten days of deadlock among the board members, in which Chairman Ben W. Hooper and a member of the public group succeeded in obtaining a majority in favor of the increase.

The two-cent increase was proposed by the public group, but not until the accession of W. H. McMenimen, of the labor group, and Samuel Higgins, of the railroad representation, was the decision for an increase made possible.

The increase means an addition of \$22,125,000 to the wage bill of the nation's railroad. The average minimum wage under the decision will range from 23 to 37 cents an hour.

The minimum wage of from 23 to 37 cents an hour is one cent an hour above the recent wage advance announced by the United States Steel Co. for unskilled labor.

About 45 per cent. of the men will get 27 cents an hour, or more, and forty per cent. will receive about 30 cents an hour. Only about 5 per cent. will receive less than thirty cents hourly.

Rates of pay for 4,000 maintenance of way men will be under that figure.

16 ROADS AND MEN AGREE TO ABIDE BY U. S. LABOR BOARD

CHICAGO, Oct. 14 (Associated Press).—Sixteen railroads have completed agreements with new organizations of their shopmen by which in effect the men waive the right to strike and the Companies pledged themselves not to litigate, both parties agreeing to abide by the decisions of the Railroad Labor Board, it became known to-day.

Notice of the completion of the agreements has been filed with the Labor Board.

Picturesque Life Story of "Al" Smith, by Martin Green

The Fourth Ward Kid Who Became Governor

Begins in EVENING WORLD On MONDAY